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SUBJECT: DECISIONS ON TREATY ORGANIZATION MATTERS

REF: CAMAUR-TAYLOR TELECON

1. PER REF OMB HAS REPORTED THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS ON
ITS MEMO:

A. DOD WILL HAVE AGENCY OVERSIGHT FOR THE PCC AT LEAST
FOR NOW. CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN TO TRANSFER AGENCY
OVERSIGHT TO DOT AT THE END OF THE 30-MONTH TRANSITION
PERIOD.

B. THE CANAL ADMINISTRATOR WILL BE A CIVILIAN.

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C. THE FIVE INTERESTED U.S. AGENCIES -- DOD, STATE, DOT,
COMMERCE, AND TREASURY -- WILL EACH HAVE A BOARD MEMBER.

D. THE WASHINGTON-LEVEL COORDINATING GROUP WILL BE MADE
UP OF THE US BOARD MEMBERS. (INFORMALLY, WE UNDERSTAND
THAT THIS NEED NOT INVARIABLY BE THE CASE, PROVIDED A HIGH
LEVEL OF REPRESENTATION IS MAINTAINED.)

E. THE DEFENSE/STATE LANGUAGE ON THE ROLE OF THE
AMBASSADOR IS APPROVED.

F. ON IMMIGRATION, DISCHARGED NON-U.S. EMPLOYEES EXCEPT
THOSE DISCHARGED FOR CAUSE WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR WAIVER OF
THE CURRENT EXCLUSION AGAINST ADMITTANCE OF PUBLIC CHARGES.

G. THE SOURCE OF PANAMANIAN EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT FUNDS
TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE PANAMANIAN CSS WILL BE THE
CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT FUND.

2. OMB WILL FURNISH COPY OF DECISION MEMORANDUM WHICH WE
WILL POUCH TO EMBASSY WHEN RECEIVED. WE ARE NOW STUDYING
THE NEXT STEPS TO INCLUDE THE QUESTION OF HOW TO APPLY
THE DECISIONS DURING THE PERIOD PRIOR TO TREATY-DAY. VANCE

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